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## RESPONSE, AMENDMENT AND PETITON FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

## Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action of 10/01/02, applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks. The period of response for the 10/1/02 Office Action expired on 1/1/03. Applicant therefore respectfully requests a three-month extension be granted, the fee for which is provided herewith.

In the present application claims 11-35 are currently pending. None are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 11, 23-28 and 30-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,217,155 ("Kitahama") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,290,990 ("Bischofberger"). Claims 12-22, 29, 34, and 35 are objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but will be allowed if rewritten in independent form where appropriate.

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